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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph at page 43, lines 10-13 with  
the following:

Each of Figs. 10 (a) - 10 (d) is an illustration  
showing a form of a filter for obtaining a signal variance  
between neighboring pixels in an example of an embodiment of  
the invention.

The above amendment is to correct an obvious typographical  
error.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits  
now proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

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